

present, I would have voted "yea" on No. 578, 579, 580, 581, 583, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590 and "nay" on No. 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 591, and 592.

#### HONORING JAMES CULBERTSON

#### HON. CHRISTOPHER JOHN LEE

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, July 20, 2009*

Mr. LEE of New York. Madam Speaker, it is with great pride that I rise today to congratulate James Culbertson of Dansville, NY on being named New York State's County Clerk of the Year. This is a true testament to his remarkable contributions to improving the lives of the people in Livingston County.

Mr. Culbertson is currently in his fourth term as Livingston County Clerk. In 2008, Culbertson was named President of the New York State Association of County Clerks and is the second Livingston County Clerk to ever hold the position.

Mr. Culbertson has significantly reduced red tape for Livingston County residents by implementing and perfecting a state-of-the-art records management system. This achievement made Livingston the state's first county to offer a complete, comprehensive records solution to benefit its constituents.

Thus, Madam Speaker, in recognition of his steadfast dedication to improving the lives of Livingston County residents, I ask this Honorable Body to join me in congratulating Mr. Culbertson on being named New York State's County Clerk of the Year.

#### LAKE COUNTY ELECTRICIANS JATC GRADUATES

#### HON. PETER J. VISCLOSKY

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, July 20, 2009*

Mr. VISCLOSKY. Madam Speaker, it is with great sincerity and admiration that I offer congratulations to several of Northwest Indiana's most talented, dedicated, and hardworking individuals. On Friday, July 31, 2009, the Lake County Electricians Joint Apprenticeship and Training Committee (JATC) will honor the class of 2009 at their annual Apprentice Completion Banquet, which will be held at the Avalon Manor Banquet Hall in Merrillville, Indiana.

This year, the Lake County Electricians JATC will be recognizing and honoring twenty-nine graduates who have completed the apprentice training. This year's graduates are: Jake Archambault, Jennifer Batka, Bryan Bogacz, Brett Bormann, Steve Brumley, Kelly Carlson, Jonathan Chariton, Noble Dennie, Jake Duttlinger, Andrew Filipowski, Theresa Gibbs, Josh Hardebeck, Nick Hardesty, Matt Marcese, Justin Marcotte, Joe Michaels, Jonathan Moran, Jon Moyado, Mike Nellenman, Ben O'Neill, Jon Orzechowicz, Chris Roark, Kyle Spicer, Jason Tampuskas, Joe Thomas, Nick Trinidad, Andy Vlachos, Arnell Washington, and John Yaksic.

Northwest Indiana has a rich history of excellence in its craftsmanship and loyalty by its tradesmen. These outstanding graduates all exemplify these traits. They have mastered

their trade and have demonstrated their loyalty to both the union and the community through their commitment, hard work, and selfless sacrifice.

Madam Speaker, I ask that you and my other distinguished colleagues join me in congratulating these committed, hardworking individuals. Along with the other extraordinary men and women of Northwest Indiana's unions, these individuals have contributed in many ways to the growth and development of the economy in Indiana's First Congressional District, and I am very proud to represent them in Washington, DC.

#### EARMARK DECLARATION

#### HON. JACK KINGSTON

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, July 20, 2009*

Mr. KINGSTON. Madam Speaker, I submit the following:

SAVANNAH HARBOR EXPANSION, GA

Requesting Member: Congressman JACK KINGSTON

Bill Number: H.R. 3183, Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010

Account: Corps of Engineers—Construction  
Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Corps of Engineers, Savannah District

Address of Requesting Entity: 100 West Oglethorpe Avenue, P.O. Box 889, Savannah, Georgia, 31402

Description of Request: Savannah Harbor Expansion Project construction funding to develop plans and specifications and the Project Partnership Agreement required before construction can start to deepen the harbor channel from the current 42 foot channel to a depth of as much as 48 feet.

ATLANTIC INTRACOASTAL WATERWAY, GA

Requesting Member: Congressman JACK KINGSTON

Bill Number: H.R. 3183, Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010

Account: Corps of Engineers—Operations and Maintenance

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Corps of Engineers, Savannah District

Address of Requesting Entity: West Oglethorpe Avenue, P.O. Box 889, Savannah, Georgia, 31402

Description of Request: dredging trouble spots on the waterway and for general maintenance of the Georgia portion of the Intracoastal Waterway

ATLANTA ENVIRONMENTAL INFRASTRUCTURE, GA

Requesting Member: Congressman Jack Kingston

Bill Number: H.R. 3183, Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010

Account: Corps of Engineers—Construction  
Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Corps of Engineers, Mobile District

Address of Requesting Entity: P.O. Box 2288, Mobile, Alabama 36628

Description of Request: sewer system repairs

BIOFUELS, BIOPOWER AND BIO MATERIALS, UGA

Requesting Member: Congressman JACK KINGSTON

Bill Number: H.R. 3183, Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010

Account: DOE-EERE Legal Name of Requesting Entity: University of Georgia

Address of Requesting Entity: Athens, GA  
Description of Request: to develop biomass processing, biochemical and thermochemical technologies, and train the future workforce so they can satisfy the needs of a growing new industry

GEORGIA SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY BIODIESEL RESEARCH

Requesting Member: Congressman JACK KINGSTON

Bill Number: H.R. 3183, Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010

Account: DOE-EERE

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Georgia Southern University

Address of Requesting Entity: P.O. Box 8158, Statesboro, GA 30460

Description of Request: research in the formulation, generation, transfer and combustion of bio-fuels that will combine multiple disciplines (Biology, Chemistry and Engineering) to address the production requirements for viable and sustainable energy substitutes derived from non-food biomass sources.

RECOGNIZING THE CREW OF THE  
RB-47H SHOT DOWN OVER INTERNATIONAL WATERS BY THE SOVIET UNION ON JULY 1, 1960

#### HON. ROBERT J. WITTMAN

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, July 20, 2009*

Mr. WITTMAN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Major Willard Palm, Captain Freeman B. Olmstead, Captain John McKone, and the crew of the RB-47H shot down over international waters by the Soviet Union on July 1, 1960. This recognition is well-deserved and highlights the unending service and integrity of our men and women in uniform.

The plane was crewed by Major Willard Palm as Aircraft Commander; Captain Freeman B. Olmstead as pilot; Captain John McKone as navigator.

Freeman B. Olmstead was born in Elmira, New York, and brought up in a devout Episcopal family. He earned a bachelor's degree in history from Kenyon College, Gambier, Ohio. He entered active duty with the Air Force in 1957.

McKone was a native of Tonganoxie, Kansas, and he graduated from Kansas State University with a bachelor's degree in history in 1954. He entered active duty on March 15, 1955.

On July 1, 1960 a United States Air Force RB-47H based at Forbes Air Force Base, Kansas, departed from Brize-Norton Royal Air Force Base in England. The flight's planned route kept the plane over international waters.

A MiG-19 fighter intercepted the American bomber over the Barents Sea. The MiG eventually opened fire on the RB-47H. Olmstead and McKone successfully ejected and survived only to be picked up by a Soviet fishing vessel. The aircraft commander, however, perished in the Barents Sea.

Ten days after the shootdown, Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev announced that they

had shot down the bomber and captured the two crewmen. The pair were imprisoned in Moscow's Lubyanka prison, and accused by the Soviets of espionage, punishable by death, for allegedly violating the Soviet sea frontier.

Shortly after the inauguration of President John F. Kennedy, Premier Nikita Khrushchev extended an offer to free Olmstead and McKone quickly—but with three terms later agreed to.

After 7 months of imprisonment and interrogation the guards drove Captain Freeman B. Olmstead and Captain John McKone to the American Embassy. They were handed over to U.S. officials to be reunited with their families without having disclosed any information to the Soviet government.

As a member of the Committee on Armed Services, I am continuously struck by the integrity of our servicemembers. With examples like Captain Freeman B. Olmstead and Captain John McKone, it is clear where this integrity comes from.

#### EARMARK DECLARATION

### HON. KAY GRANGER

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 20, 2009

Ms. GRANGER. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I, KAY GRANGER, submit the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 3183, the Energy & Water Appropriations bill for FY2010. For the project titled "Central City, Fort Worth, Upper Trinity River Basin, TX," which received \$7,200,000 in H.R. 3183, Corps of Engineers Construction Account, the legal name and address of the receiving entity is U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Fort Worth District, 819 Taylor Street, Fort Worth, TX 76102. It is my understanding that the Corps of Engineers will use funds for bypass channel construction, valley storage construction, and geotechnical exploration. The aging levee system is no longer adequate to provide protection for an area adjacent to downtown Fort Worth that is undergoing revitalization. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers recommends in the final Environmental Impact Statement an integrated, comprehensive solution for flood control in this area to include transportation, environmental restoration and community redevelopment components in constructing a 1.5 mile flood-control bypass channel. Local cost share for the project is over \$180 million.

For the project titled "Farmers Branch, Tarrant County, TX," which received continuing authority in H.R. 3183, Corps of Engineers Sec. 206 account, the legal name and address of the receiving entity is U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Fort Worth District, 819 Taylor Street, Fort Worth, TX 76102. The goal of this project is to improve the channelization of Farmers Branch flowing through the center of White Settlement, TX, to mitigate major flooding problems affecting family residential properties and commercial entities. The recommended plan consists of a grass and rock-lined channel between White Settlement Road and Las Vegas Trail. The City has passed bonds totaling \$11.5 million for the project.

For the project titled "Upper Trinity River Basin, TX," which received \$500,000 in H.R.

3183, Corps of Engineers Investigations Account, the legal name and address of the receiving entity is U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Fort Worth District, 819 Taylor Street, Fort Worth, TX 76102. Preliminary watershed-wide feasibility investigations identified 88 measures for more detailed study in the Upper Trinity River Basin. Subsequently, seven interim feasibility studies have been initiated with 11 cities, one county, and one special district to undertake more detailed studies for the purposes of addressing flood risk management, ecosystem restoration and recreation opportunities within these areas. It is my understanding these funds would be used to continue these ongoing studies to protect the water supply for approximately 1.6 million people.

#### INTERPRETING H.R. 2454

### HON. RICK LARSEN

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 20, 2009

Mr. LARSEN of Washington. Madam Speaker, I rise today to submit my view regarding Congress's intent to allow Direct Service Industries served by the Bonneville Power Administration to receive allowances under Section 782 of H.R. 2454.

The definition of "electricity local distribution company" in Section 783 does not include federal power marketing administrations such as the Bonneville Power Administration. I believe that Congress intends that Direct Service Industries served by Bonneville on the date of enactment of this Act are part of eligible industrial sectors and may receive allowances under Sections 782(e) and 764 of this Act.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide this clarification, and thank you to Representative JAY INSLEE of Washington for his work in securing protections for energy-intensive, trade-exposed industries in energy reform legislation.

#### INTERPRETING H.R. 2454

### HON. JAY INSLEE

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 20, 2009

Mr. INSLEE. Madam Speaker, I rise today to express my support for Representative RICK LARSEN's interpretation of Section 782 of H.R. 2454. As a principal author of legislative provisions in H.R. 2454 to protect energy-intensive, trade-exposed industries, I too believe that Congress intends that Direct Service Industries served by Bonneville on the date of enactment of this Act are part of eligible industrial sectors and may receive allowances under Sections 782(e) and 764 of this Act.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide this clarification.

#### INTRODUCTION OF THE BROWNFIELDS REMEDIATION PERMANENT TAX INCENTIVE ACT

### HON. XAVIER BECERRA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 20, 2009

Mr. BECERRA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to introduce the "Brownfields Remediation Permanent Tax Incentive Act" with Representative PAUL RYAN. This legislation will provide a permanent tax incentive for developers to clean up polluted properties, clearing the way for new economic development in our communities.

Brownfields are neglected or abandoned land sites whose redevelopment is complicated by the potential presence of hazardous substances. The Environmental Protection Agency estimates that there are over 450,000 of these sites in the United States. From abandoned warehouses and shuttered gas stations, to former factory sites and abandoned residential buildings, these sites could be put to productive use if developers undertook environmental remediation efforts to prepare them for redevelopment.

Such remediation efforts can bring diverse benefits to our communities. In addition to reducing exposure to hazardous substances, they can create jobs through new construction projects, grow local tax bases, and help revitalize neighborhoods whose economic development efforts are weighed down by abandoned structures and housing blight. Brownfield remediation is also an environmentally sound policy that encourages developers to use existing developed land rather than starting new construction on undeveloped land or farmland.

However, brownfields redevelopment is often an expensive and unpredictable undertaking. The Brownfields Remediation Permanent Tax Incentive Act would encourage developers to tackle these important projects by making the existing Section 198 brownfield tax expensing provision permanent, thus providing a measure of certainty and facilitating long-term planning for those interested in undertaking these important cleanup projects.

Madam Speaker, I urge my colleagues to support the Brownfields Remediation Permanent Tax Incentive Act to help rehabilitate these properties that would otherwise lie vacant, and spur economic investment and job creation in our communities.

#### HONORING DOMINIC MAZZA

### HON. CHRISTOPHER JOHN LEE

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 20, 2009

Mr. LEE of New York. Madam Speaker, it is with great pride that I rise today to pay tribute to a dedicated public servant who I am proud to call one of my constituents. Dominic Mazza, who has served as Livingston County Administrator for more than 20 years, has given much of his life to serving the people of New York State.

Prior to serving as County Administrator, Mr. Mazza held various financial positions